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Macro:**Over double the annual subsidy allocation gobbled up already**

- The state-run corporation had to spend BDT 163 Bn as LNG-import subsidy until October 15, while the entire financial year's subsidy amount earmarked in the 2026-27 budget is only BDT 65 Bn.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/over-double-the-annual-subsidy-allocation-gobbled-up-already-1793039808>

Forex reserves stand at USD 36.41 Bn

- Bangladesh's foreign exchange reserves stood at USD 36.41 Bn, while Reserves calculated under the IMF's BPM6 methodology stood at USD 31.60 Bn.

<https://www.bssnews.net/business/438698>

Govt wants USD 1 Bn Korean budget support to tackle energy shocks

- The government is looking to secure USD 1.0 Bn in budget support from South Korea to help manage the economic fallout, as rising energy costs put pressure on public finances and foreign exchange reserves.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/govt-wants-1b-korean-budget-support-tackle-energy-shocks-4308156>

How exposed is Bangladesh to a prolonged Saudi crisis?

- Bangladesh is unlikely to see an immediate fall in remittances from Saudi Arabia even as Houthi attacks on the kingdom intensified from early October, but a slowdown in new migration could weigh on inflows.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/economy/news/how-exposed-bangladesh-prolonged-saudi-crisis-4308171>

BD to edge past India in 2026: IMF

- Bangladesh is projected to surpass India in per-capita gross domestic product (GDP) in 2026, though the neighbouring country maintains a significantly stronger position in terms of overall economic size, purchasing power, and growth momentum, according to International Monetary Fund (IMF).

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/last-page/bd-to-edge-past-india-in-2026-imf-1793040545>

Sector and Industries:**BANK | Govt picks MDs of two State-Owned Banks from private banks**

- The government has nominated top executives for two state-owned commercial banks from private-sector lenders. Another public bank's managing director is picked from a different State-Owned Commercial Banks during the private-public reshuffle in top bank management.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/first-page/govt-picks-mds-of-two-sobs-from-private-banks-1793039695>

TELECOM | Teletalk to acquire 700MHz spectrum

- State-owned mobile operator Teletalk has begun the process of expanding its 4G network using the 700MHz band, aiming to improve coverage in rural and remote areas and strengthen indoor connectivity.

<https://www.newagebd.net/post/telecom/319730/teletalk-to-acquire-700mhz-spectrum>

Stocks:**SQURPHARMA | Square Pharma posts over 15% profit growth on higher sales**

- The country's leading drug maker Square Pharmaceuticals has reported a 15.54% year-on-year growth in profit to BDT 27.70 Bn in FY26, driven by a significant rise in revenue.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/square-pharma-posts-over-15pc-profit-growth-on-higher-sales-1793037697>

GP | GP's Jan-Sept profit falls over 4% on lower revenue

- Grameenphone's profit fell more than 4% year-on-year to BDT 21.72 Bn in the first nine months through September this year amid a decline in revenue in a challenging macroeconomic environment.

<https://today.thefinancialexpress.com.bd/stock-corporate/gps-jan-sept-profit-falls-over-4pc-on-lower-revenue-1793037739>

SINGERBD | Singer Bangladesh Q3 loss widens 61% to BDT 770 Mn on soaring finance costs

- Singer Bangladesh Limited's net loss widened 61% year-on-year to BDT 771.6 Mn in the July-September quarter of 2026, driven by higher operating expenses and finance costs despite revenue growth.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/singer-bangladesh-q3-loss-widens-61-tk77cr-soaring-finance-costs-1583621>

SINGERBD | Singer to raise BDT 2.50 Bn through preference shares

- Singer Bangladesh Limited plans to raise up to BDT 2.50 Bn by issuing preference shares to refinance existing debt, lower its debt burden, and fund working capital. The shares will be issued at the discretion of the issuer via private placement to the sponsor shareholder.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/organisation-news/news/singer-raise-tk-250cr-through-preference-shares-4308036>

GPHISPAT | GPH Ispat defers BDT 9.68 Bn rights share issue amid weak market conditions

- GPH Ispat Limited has deferred its proposed BDT 9.68 Bn rights share issue, citing prevailing capital market conditions and the need to safeguard the interests of the company and its general shareholders.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/gph-ispate-defers-tk968cr-rights-share-issue-amid-weak-market-conditions-1583041>

DOREENPWR | Doreen Power exits DSE risk list as earnings rise 58%, dividend to 15%

- Doreen Power Generations and Systems Ltd has been removed from the Dhaka Stock Exchange's (DSE) list of companies flagged over concerns about their ability to continue operations after its latest audited financial statements found no material uncertainty over its going concern.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/doreen-power-exits-dse-risk-list-earnings-rise-58-dividend-15-1583921>

SPCL | Shahjibazar Power announces 40% cash dividend as net profit surges 138.5% in FY26

- Shahjibazar Power Company has recommended a 40% cash dividend for FY26, doubling its payout from 20% a year earlier, as its consolidated net profit surged 138.5% year-on-year.

<https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/stocks/shahjibazar-power-announces-40-cash-dividend-net-profit-surges-1385-fy26-1583551>

Stock and Commodities*

Index Name	Close Value	Value Change YTD	% Change YTD
Crude Oil (WTI)*	USD 100.94	USD 43.51	75.76%
Crude Oil (Brent)*	USD 114.70	USD 53.85	88.50%
Gold Spot*	USD 4,015.75	(USD 325.25)	-7.49%
DSEX	5,399.54	534.20	10.98%
S&P 500	7,676.77	777.95	11.28%
FTSE 100	10,767.33	835.95	8.42%
BSE SENSEX	73,606.75	-11,186.83	-13.19%
KSE-100	163,038.50	-11,015.80	-6.33%
CSEALL	19,640.56	-2,983.75	-13.19%

Exchange Rates**1 US Dollar = 123.82 BDT****1 GBP = 165.20 BDT****1 Euro = 138.38 BDT****1 INR = 1.30 BDT**

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